## THE CONTACTS OF CIVILIZATIONS

There is, too, a certain irony in subsidizing services to improve

welfare by a government which simultaneously forces

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sumption of noxious articles like opium and alcohol, simply for

revenue-bearing qualities. Such inconsistency corroborates the

engendered by years of exploitation under the Hue government.

makes the natives more than ever suspicious and hostile to

Annamites are especially distrustful as patients. They downright

to permit amputation, since it runs counter to their religious

the body must remain intact. They refuse to give their children the

inijk prescribed just because they have always held it in horror. The

mountain tribes are even more superstitious and obstinate.

about anything that threatens their independence. Those

themselves to be operated on leave the hospital the

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stitches are taken out. There is a universal taking of valescence begins. But the famous ingratitude of is

not

axiomatic. Doctors in the colony testify to the touching

gifts they received from those whom they have healed, Annamites at best are never clean, but sickness up in its most revolting form. To have his pulse take% the in be-veraiined rags extends a grimy fist covered with lavers of

Aaaamltes have also a marked love for dramatizing

iikess is the scene of theatrical lamentation. Native

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advailtage over Europeans in knowing what superstitions combat. A physician in Indo-Chkta has to have more and severance than in Europe,, and he is paid less well for

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disappear- Observation of experiments is notoriously		
their significance is not grasped. AIM) a	ny of	
demands the least exertion is adopted is a	ì,	
to medical work, for among the	for	is
the equivalent of a social status,	the	for
farther exertion.		
A European doctor must be in	his	
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the doctor was thereafter to		m
as to retain his patients* confidence.		

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